

Minutes

To: **Finance and Budget Committee**
 Human Services Committee

From: Shari Cantor, Chairperson
 Judy Casperson, Chairperson

Date: October 17, 2011

Subject: Joint meeting of Finance and Budget/Human Services Committees

In Attendance: Shari Cantor, Scott Slifka, Denise Hall, Judy Casperson, Ron Van Winkle, Chris Johnson, Jim Capodiece. Ed Sanady

The Finance and Budget Committee and the Human Services Committee met on Friday, October 14, 2011, at 8:00 a.m., in Town Hall, Room 312, to discuss the following:

AGENDA

1. ITN (Independent Transportation Network)

This item was tabled.

2. Heating assistance

Ed Sanady from Social Services discussed the concerns about the reductions in winter heating assistance funding due to cuts at the federal level. In West Hartford 1131 “extremely low income” households received energy assistance last year. At present funding for energy assistance has been cut by 50%. The State of Connecticut has allocated some additional funding and final federal funding is still yet to be determined. This situation will be monitored by Social Services.

3. Rockledge Restaurant lease

Jim Capodiece discussed the renewal of the lease for the restaurant at Rockledge Golf Course. The lease is due to expire at the end of this year. The administration is recommending the lease be renewed for an additional five years with an additional five year extension if both parties concur. This recommendation is based upon the existing market conditions and an agreement from the existing operator to reinvest in the facility. The proposed lease will be submitted to the Town Council for their consideration at a future meeting.